NOTICE OF MEETING

TO: Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee

FROM: Constance C. Steffen, Research Analyst

DATE: October 7, 1999

SUBJECT: October 20 Meeting

Sen. Howard C. Nielson and Rep. Bradley T. Johnson have scheduled the next meeting of the Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment Interim Committee as follows:

DATE: Wednesday, October 20, 1999

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Room 303 State Capitol

An agenda is included. If you are unable to attend, please call me at 538-1032.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Sen. Howard C. Nielson, Senate Chair Rep. Bradley T. Johnson, House Chair

Sen. Leonard M. Blackham	Rep. Craig W. Buttars	Rep. Keele Johnson
Sen. Beverly Ann Evans	Rep. Mary Carlson	Rep. Evan L. Olsen
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Rep. Eli H. Anderson	Rep. James R. Gowans	Rep. Bill Wright

Rep. Melvin R. Brown Rep. Tom Hatch

AGENDA

NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT INTERIM COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 20, 1999 - 2:00 p.m. - Room 303 State Capitol

1. Committee Business

C Approval of minutes of August 18, 1999

2. Water Conservation Plans

Water conservancy districts and retail water suppliers with more than 500 service connections were required to submit water conservation plans to the Division of Water Resources by April 1, 1999. As directed by law, the Board of Water Resources will report its recommendations on how to implement the plans.

Board of Water Resources

3. State Park Planning Processes

As directed by intent language in HB 1, "Appropriations Act," Mr. Nelson will report on the planning process for closure of existing parks and incorporation of new parks into the state system.

• Courtland Nelson, Division of Parks and Recreation

4. Cedar Mountain Science Center

In the 1999 General Session, the Legislature appropriated \$60,000 to Southern Utah University for the Cedar Mountain Science Center. The money is to be used to coordinate the development of environmental education programs. The university will report on activities of the center and make recommendations for ongoing funding.

• Lana Johnson, Southern Utah University

5. Utah Association of Conservation Districts

The Utah Association of Conservation Districts will update the committee on the association's activities and how it has used state funds.

Randy Greenhalgh, Utah Association of Conservation Districts

6. Ground Water Permits

As directed by intent language in HB 1, "Appropriations Act," the Department of Environmental Quality will report on funding for the administration of ground water permits.

• Don Ostler, Division of Water Quality

7. Pheasant Predation Study

The Jack H. Berryman Institute for Wildlife Damage Management at Utah State University is conducting a four-year study on controlling predators of pheasants. Mr. Messmer will discuss the preliminary results and issues to consider if predation management to enhance pheasant populations is to become a standard wildlife management practice.

• Terry Messmer, Utah State University

8. Deer Management Plans

Mr. Kimball will give an update on deer management plans, including information on the achievement of target herd size objectives.

John Kimball, Division of Wildlife Resources

9. Other Business

10. Adjourn